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SRI P. RANGASWAMI REDDIAR :—" Is this temple a private or public one? "

THE HON. SRI B. PARAMESWARAN :—" This is a small temple getting about Rs. 50 as its income. No action has been taken to classify it under the Hindu Religious and Charitable Endowments Act."

SRI K. VINAYAKAM :—" Do the Government give any subsidy or aid for the conduct of pujas in this temple? "

THE HON. SRI B. PARAMESWARAN :—" The temple is maintained, as I have already said, due to the help rendered by the charitably disposed press representatives, philanthropic-minded M.L.As., and religious-minded passers-by."

SRI V. R. NAGARAJAN :—" I understand this is a Vinayakar temple. What benefits have been conferred by this Vinayakar on the worshipping M.L.As.? "

Non-implementation of the award of Industrial Tribunal by the Ambika Beedi Factory, Kollengode.

* 820 *Q.*—SRI K. P. GOPALAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether any representation has been received from the Kollengode Beedi Workers' Union, South Malabar, alleging non-implementation of the award of the Industrial Tribunal regarding retrenchment benefit to be given to the workers of the Ambika Beedi Factory, Kollengode; and

(*b*) if so, the action taken thereon?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM :—" (*a*) Yes, Sir.

" (*b*) The amounts claimed by the workers of the Ambika Beedi Factory could not be verified as the management did not produce the records. According to a recent ruling of the High Court, undetermined amount in the award could not be recovered nor can the issue be referred again to the Tribunal for determining the amount. Against this order, the Government have filed a Letters Patent Appeal. The Union has been informed that action on the claim petitions will be taken after the result of the Letters Patent Appeal is known."

Grant of crop loans by the Malabar District Co-operative Produce Sale Society, Limited, Kozhikode, in Wynaad.

* 821 *Q.*—SRI M. NARAYANA KURUP : Will the Hon. the Minister for Health and Co-operation be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Government have forbidden the Malabar District Co-operative Produce Sale Society, Limited, Kozhikode, from issuing crop loans in Wynaad since 1953–54;

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(b) whether the Government have received any memorandum from the representatives of the society in respect of this matter; and

(c) if so, what action has been taken thereon?

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY :—" (a) to (c) The Registrar of Co-operative Societies directed the society not to issue crop loans after July 1953. The President of the society submitted a petition to Government against the Registrar's orders. The petition was examined by Government in consultation with the Registrar of Co-operative Societies. The Joint Registrar had a discussion on the subject with the President and Directors of the society and the executive members of the Central Bank as a result of which the Registrar of Co-operative Societies permitted the sale society to issue crop loans up to a maximum of Rs. 1 lakh subject to the condition that the individual crop loans should not exceed Rs. 2,000 generally and Rs. 3,000 in special cases, that the issue of crop loans should be stopped after 31st January 1954 and that for the next season, June to July 1954, the members should get themselves admitted into rural credit societies and obtain produce loans from them, if necessary. The Government considered that the action taken by the Registrar was adequate."

MR. SPEAKER :—" Next question."

SRI M. NARAYANA KURUP :—" Sir, I want to put a supplementary question." 8-40 a.m.

MR. SPEAKER :—" I have been receiving answers to a number of questions from the departments. I want to finish all the questions before the 20th instant which probably is the last day of the present session. Otherwise, there may be complaints that I have not placed before the House all the questions given notice of for which answers have been received."

Constitution of new panchayats in non-panchayat areas.

* 822 Q.—SRI K. R. VISWANATHAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Local Administration be pleased to state—

(a) whether the work of constituting new panchayats where there are no panchayats now has been begun; and

(b) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE HON. SRI S. S. RAMASWAMI PADAYACHI :—" (a) Yes, Sir.

" (b) Does not arise."